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## Docket No. STATEMENT UNDER 37 CFR 1.97(e) ACCOMPANYING 02530017AA INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT In Re Application Of: Watanabe JUL 27 2004 **S**hiner Group Art Unit Confirmation No. Customer No. Filing Date Application No. 5995 2178 30743 Jr. William D .09/435,996 11-8-99 Invention: LETTER INPUT METHOD AND DEVICE USING THE SAME **COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS:** This is a statement under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.97(e) in the above-identified application. Check applicable statement herebelow: Statement Under 37 CFR 1.97(e)(1) ☑ Each item of information contained in the accompanying Information Disclosure Statement was first cited in any communication from a foreign patent office in a counterpart foreign application not more than three months prior to the filing of the Information Disclosure Statement. Statement Under 37 CFR 1.97(e)(2) ☐ No item of information contained in the accompanying Information Disclosure Statement was cited in a communication from a foreign patent office in a counterpart foreign application, and, to the knowledge of the undersigned person, after making reasonable inquiry, no item of information contained in the accompanying Information Disclosure Statement was known to any individual designated in 37 CFR 1.56(c) more than three months prior to the filing of the Information Disclosure Statement.

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## INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Sir: Under the provisions of 37 C.F.R. 1.97 through 1.99 and pursuant to applicant's duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. 1.56, applicant respectfully brings the following documents, which are cited in a Japanese Office Action and listed on the attached form PTO-1449, to the attention of the Examiner in charge of the above-identified application. Copies of the listed documents are provided herewith for the convenience of the Examiner.

This citation does not constitute an admission that the references are relevant or material to the claims. They are only cited as constituting related art of which the applicant is aware.

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In compliance with the requirements of 37 C.F.R. §1.98 (a)(3), as a concise statement of relevance, as it is presently understood by the individual designated in 35 U.S.C. §1.56(c) most knowledgeable about the content of the information, the undersigned attorney of record submits a translation of the official action by a foreign examiner in which the references were cited. The relevance to the pending U.S. Patent application is that the references were cited in a foreign

patent application on the same subject manner. However, no independent analysis of the reference, the accuracy of the statement of the foreign examiner or the claims of the foreign application under the laws of that country or the United States relative to the same subject matter claimed in the present application has been made; the present understanding of the contents thereof by the undersigned being based on the translation of the foreign examiner's comments submitted herewith. It is respectfully requested that the listed references be formally made of record in the application. Please charge any deficiencies in fees and credit any overpayment of fees to Attorney's Deposit Account No. 50-2041

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